GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Compensatory Afforestation - Visakhapatnam District - Anakapalli Division - - Proposals for according permission to hand over the available Government non-forest land to an extent of 1584.368 Hectares to the Forest Department in lieu of Forest land to an extent of 2704.60 Hectares for execution of Chintalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme (CHLIS) for providing irrigation facilities in 230 villages of 12-Mandals of West Godavari District and 3-Mandals in Krishna District – Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (ASSIGNMENT -II (1)) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 317 Dated: 15.09.2014.

READ: the following:-

 From the District Collector, VSP. RC.No.3856/2008/E1, dt:28.05.2014.

- 2. From the Spl.CS & CCLA, A.P., Hyderabad Letter.No.B3/555/2014,dt:30.05.2014.
- 3. E.F.S.& T.(Forest. Section. I) Department No.4242/Section. I/ 2014, Dated 09-07-2014
- 4. Irrigation & CAD (LA.2) Department UO No.10972/LA/A1/2014, Dated 02-08-2014.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, the District Collector, Visakhapatnam has reported that, the Superintending Engineer, I.S.P.R.M.C. Circle, Eluru has informed that the Govt., of A.P. have accorded administrative approval for Rs.1701 Crores vide G.O.Ms.No.207, dt:24.10.2008, for execution of Chinthalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme (CHILS) for providing irrigation facilities to an extent of 2,00,000 Acres of land in 230 villages of 12-Mandals of West Godavari District and 3-Mandals in Krishna District for which an extent of Ac.2580.83 Hectares of Reserved forest land is required in West Godavari District. As per the standing rules of Forest Dept., the user agency has to provide non forest land equivalent to forest land requisitioned for diversion in the same district or in the nearby District to Forest Dept., for Compensatory Afforestation to hand over the required forest land for the above project. Accordingly, the SE, ISPRMC, Circle, Eluru has requested the District Collector, Visakhapatnam to provide suitable non forest land available in Visakhapatnam District from the land Bank for handing over to the Forest Dept., against the forest land used for the execution of Chinthalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme. He has further reported that the following Non - Forest lands are available in Chodavaram, Anakapalli, Kasimkota Mandals and found the following Hill Porambokes are not fit for Assignment, Residential (House Sites) and commercial purpose and proposed for handing over to the Forest Department in lieu of Forest land used for execution of Chinthalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme.

(1) CHODAVARAM MANDAL:

Name of the Village	Sy.No.	Total Extent	Classification	Extent proposed
Gandhavaram	244	242.02	Hill Poramboke	150.00
Goavada	333	158.84		60.00
Bhogapuram	152	217.45		150.00
Chaipalli	329	312.05		150.00
Rayapurajupeta	199	827.66		550.00
	1060.00			

(2) ANAKAPALLI MANDAL:

Name of the Village	Sy.No.	Total Extent	Classification	Extent proposed
Valluru	159	594.75	Hill Poramboke	440.00
Koppaka	41	400.00		250.00
Gopalapuram	111	73.00		50.00
Maredupudi	357	211.65		150.00
Golagam	283	158.38		100.00
Thummapla	360	673.82		500.00
Jagannadhapuram	50	136.27		100.00
	1590.00			

(3) KASIMKOTA MANDAL

Name of the Village	Sy.No.	Total Extent	Classification	Extent proposed
Ugginaplem	1	1497.06	Konda Poramboke	1015.00
Singavaram	1	371.74		250.00
	1265.06			

- 2. The District Collector, Visakhapatnam has further reported that as per the requisition of Superintending Engineer, I.S.P.R.M.C., Circle, Eluru, an extent of Ac.2580.83 Hectares of Reserved Forest Land is required for execution of Chinthalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme. However, the District Collector, Visakhapatnam District has reported that as per FMB Sketches, an extent of 1584.368 hectares of land is available. The District Collector has therefore requested to accord permission for handing over to the Forest Department in lieu of Forest land being used for execution of Chintalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme as per the provisions of G.O.Ms.No.571. Dated 14.09.2012.
- In the reference 2nd read above, the Spl.CS & CCLA, Hyderabad has reported that with regard to the proposal of the District Collector, Khammam District regarding Compensatory Afforestation in lieu of the Forest Lands coming under Irrigation Projects, Roads etc., it was decided during the APLMA meeting held on 11-07-2013 that many Irrigation Projects are under execution under the Jalayagnam Programme of the For execution of the said projects, during the land acquisition, wherever Government. the forest land is involved, the Forest Dept., is insisting on transfer of equal extent of land in lieu of forest land for Compensatory Afforestation. For Compensatory Afforestation, after identification of the land, process of transfer of such land to Forest Dept is consuming lot of time i.e., from the District Collector to CCLA and to Revenue Department in Government due to the limitation in the existing G.O.571. The delay is resulting in cost of escalation of the schemes and affecting the Government exchequer. Therefore, the APLMA in the meeting held on 11-07-2013, has suggested the CCLA & Spl.CS., to send the proposals to the Government for necessary action directly, instead of placing before the APLMA.
- 4. The Spl.CS & CCLA, Hyderabad has further reported that as observed from the reports of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad in letter dt:03.01.2014 and the Chief Engineer, Godavari Delta Systems in letter dt:24.10.2013, it has been mentioned and noticed that actual quantum of land required for Afforestation is 2704.60 Ha, but not 2580.83 Ha., as reported by the Collector, Visakhapatnam District. He has, therefore, requested the Government to issue appropriate orders on the Compensatory Afforestation of land to an extent of 2704.60 Ha., as requested by the Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad, instead of 2580.83 Ha. as per the decision taken in the APLMA held on 11.07.2013 at the earliest.

- 5. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the District Collector, Visakhapatnam to hand over the available Government nonforest land to an extent of 1584.368 Hactares, to the Forest Department in lieu of Forest land to an extent of 2704.60 Hactares for execution of Chintalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme (CHLIS) for providing irrigation facilities to 2,00,000 Acres of land in (230) villages of (12) Mandals of West Godavari District and (3) Mandals in Krishna district subject to obtaining the technical and administrative approvals from the competent authority and should be in conformity with cost norms and based on species, types of forest and site, as per the guidelines / instructions by the Government of India and State Government under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- 6. The Spl.CS & CCLA, AP., Hyderabad / District Collector, Visakhapatnam shall take further necessary action in the matter in consultation with the Government in EFS & T (Forest.Section.II) Department and Irrigation & CAD (LA) Department.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.C. SHARMA PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To

The Spl.CS & CCLA,AP., Hyderabad.

The District Collector, Visakhapatnam.

Copy to:

The EFS & T (Forest.Section.II) Department.

C.S. Peshi . for kind perusal of the Chief Secretary.

The Irrigation & CAD (LA) Department.

The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forest,., AP., Hyderabad.

The District Collector, West Godavari, Eluru.

The District Collector, Krishna at Machilipatnam.

The Superintending Engineer, ISPRMC Circle,

Eluru, West Godavari district.

The Revenue Divisional Officer, Anakapally,

Visakhapatnam District.

The OSD to Dy.C.M. (Revenue)

The PS to Prl.Secretary to C.M.(AG)

The PS to Chief Secretary to Government, AP

The PS to Prl.Secretary to Government, Revenue.

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SECTION OFFICER